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HOUSE CLEANING AGAIN IN WWE, MANY SHOCKED AT RELEASES
SHINYA HASHIMOTO PASSED AWAY OF BRAIN ANEURYSM
MIGUEL PEREZ & LORD ALFRED HAYES ALSO PASSED AWAY
BROCK LESNAR COMING BACK TO WWE, DEAL ALMOST SIGNED.
ROAD WARRIOR ANIMAL AND HEIDENREICH NEW T.T. CHAMPS

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A sad month for me. I lost a very special friend, Carole Ahern of Edgewater, FL. on June 16th. She was very dear to me, and she will be missed.

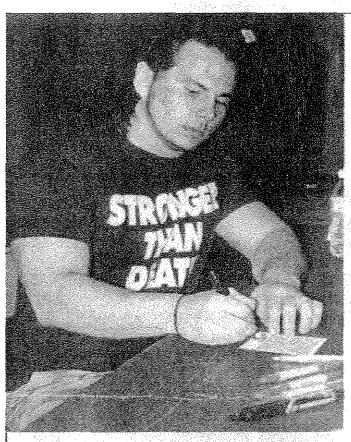
And Rosemary Armento of Brooklyn, NY informed me that her roommate Theresa Piccitto also passed away. This came as a total shock to me, she was only in her 40's. Both are Chatterboxers. My deepest sympathy and condolences to family and friends.

Daniel Beaumont of Australia called me to let me know he will be working as referee for Big Japan, Zero One and Hustle. He is so excited to say the least... He can't wait for the time to come.....

This month since we have honored Matt on the cover, the prize is a Matt Hardy 8x10 colored photo.
Send me your Name, Address, Phone Number, Birthday and Favorite Wrestler to either my home of email GMakpoulos@aol.com

Congratulations to Keith Frank of Harmony, PA on winning last months prize—Backyard Criminals DVD.

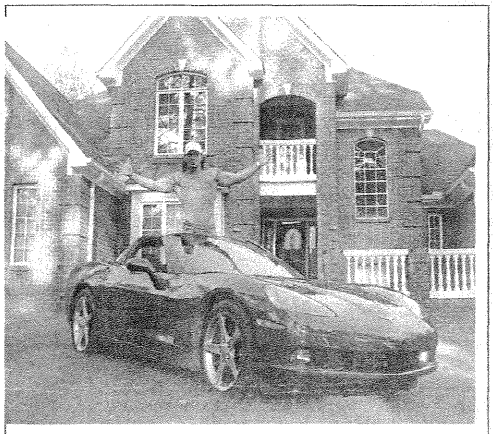
Just a quick note, I'm not sure yet, but it is possible there may **not** be an August issue.
I just didn't want anyone worrying if there isn't one.
Enjoy this issue and TRY to stay COOL.. Hot, Hot Summer



Matt Hardy at the PCW show in Chicago. They drew a little over 1,000 fans and I do believe that Matt Hardy had plenty to do with that.. The fans just love Matt, and he is so accessible.

Matt with Lucas, his best friend

Matt with his new lady "friend" Lori in the whirl pool. Matt told some fans at a recent Autograph Signing that he is finished with Lita.. Many fans are thinking that this whole thing has been a work from the start, now that Matt is back in WWE. But it is not.....



Matt enjoys the good life, with a very nice house and a real hot car.

I would have enjoyed seeing Matt join TNA instead of going back to WWE. One reason, he really loved Lita and they have been together for a long time. It will be very hard to see her on the road all the time. Rumors have it that Lita and Edge have broken up and Edge is trying to patch things up in his 4 month marriage.

You have to know the reason WWE would want Matt Hardy back because of all the internet publicity on this whole affair.

Eventually everyone is expecting a Matt Hardy vs. Edge match, probably at WWE SummerSlam. Waiting any longer, it just wouldn't mean anything, It 's already getting stale. But if I was the WWE I wouldn't want this match to take place, there will be legit heat stemming from Edge dating Lita.

I have received so many complimentary letters from fans who just love Matt. They have all said, he is so friendly with the fans. Good luck Matt, we are behind you.....

THE WAY I SEE IT BY AFA THE WILD SAMOAN

I'd like to begin this month's article by expressing my sadness to those of you in London who have experienced loss and tragedy due to the terrorist attacks. I know that my brother and I have many fans in London, and we have always enjoyed our time in England, so I pray that the British are getting their lives back to normal the best that they can. As I wrote my last column, I headed off to Italy for a five-day wrestling clinic that ended with a wrestling show. Twenty three VERY brave young athletes dedicated themselves to my Wild Samoan Training Center Clinic that took place in Torino, Italy. It was very hard on the students because we trained three hours in the morning and three hours in the afternoon in very hot conditions. The wrestling ring was outside on the fourth floor of a gym with the sun beating down while these kids gave it their all. Their attitudes were amazing, and they would not quit no matter how tough it was. The company that brought me over to do the clinic was overwhelmed with the closeness of me and the students after just a few short days of being together. My two trainers, Havoc and Tonic from WXW, along with my son L.A. Smooth assisted me in making this week unforgettable for these kids. The ages ranged from 14 to over 30. I gave everyone a nickname to help me remember them. We had one girl who I named "Crazy Girl" because she had no fear, a 15-year-old who we called "Mick Foley", "Afa Jr.", who was our translator, and "Wrestlemania"- who can tell you EVERYTHING that you ever wanted to know about the history of wrestling. After the five days were complete, I had to pick six of the best students, and they got to wrestle on the show, and to my surprise they did extremely well. The main event on the show were my two trainers, with the special referee, Mick Foley. Havoc got out of control, and Mick Foley "socked" him while the fans cheered. After the wrestling show, we all went to dinner. I was overwhelmed by the outpouring of love by the students, and a few of them sat and cried because the clinic came to an end. They walked me to the car and followed me back to my hotel. My wife and daughter became very attached to them and cried along with them. One of the students who has great potential is from South Africa, living in London, and is planning to come to train with me in September. The company, Nu-Wrestling, was so happy with the turnout that we are discussing doing it once again in September in the city of Rome. This was especially satisfying for me because I have so many kids that contact me from overseas longing for the opportunity to train by a sanctioned school under proper supervision. Talks are in the working for the Wild Samoan Training Center to finally make its way overseas, and I will post information on my website as it becomes confirmed for those of you who are interested in joining the program. On another note, our 8th year of Sportsfest, 2005, was a great success. Some of the stars who came to lend a hand were my nephew Rosey, brother Sika, sons Samu, L.A. Smooth, and Afa Jr., cousin Jimmy "Superfly" Snuka, former student Gene Snitsky, and my longtime friend Sabu. Of course, my WXW family from Pennsylvania as well as Florida. We closed out the weekend with a show in the Fernwood Hotel and Resort, and will return there Sunday, September 4th at 7:30 p.m. for a Labor Day Weekend bash.

In closing, I want to ask you to keep the residents of Florida in your prayers as they clean up their lives from the recent hurricane Dennis. As many of you know, my brother and family live there, and our WXW runs out of Pensacola. We had to cancel our three shows scheduled for July and are hoping that things will be back to normal for August.

Until next month, stay safe and healthy, and be good to each other.
God Bless, Afa the Wild Samoan *(Pops)*
This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad. God is good all the time.

INDY SHOW LISTINGS (CONTINUED) .....

August 23rd, 2005:
WWE @ Greensboro Coliseum in Greensboro, North Carolina, USA
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center in Hagerstown, MD
HWA @ HWA Arena in Evendale, Ohio, USA
August 24th, 2005:
NWS @ Beach Grandstand in Wildwood, New Jersey, USA
August 25th, 2005:
IWF @ Camp IWF Centre in West Paterson, New Jersey, USA
WLW @ Black River Coliseum in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, USA
August 26th, 2005:
ECPW @ Big Wheel Skate in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania,
ESW @ Frontier Volunteer Fire Company in Niagara Falls, New York
EWE @ Sanford Civic Center in Sanford, Florida, USA
EWF @ Knights Of Columbus in Covina, California, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
PWU @ The Animal House in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
August 27th, 2005:
ECPW @ ECPW Arena in Lake Hiawatha, New Jersey, USA
EWE @ American Legion Post #5 in Tampa, Florida, USA
FSCW @ Florida Atlantic University (Live Oak Pavilion) in Boca Raton, FL
GBW @ GBW Arena in Hanover, Pennsylvania, USA
GIWA @ Centennial Center in Milledgeville, Georgia, USA
VHWA @ Dutchess Stadium in Fishkill, New York, USA
ICW @ Valley Forge Convention Plaza in King Of Prussia, PA
ICW @ B&I Marketplace in Tacoma, Washington, USA
JWA @ Elks Lodge in Boonton, New Jersey, USA
MAXW @ Civic Center in Iva, South Carolina, USA
NEW @ Shelbyville Civic Center in Shelbyville, Indiana, USA
NPW @ Crosswinds Tavern in Winnebago, Minnesota, USA
NYWC @ Deer Park Community Center in Deer Park, New York, USA
PCW @ Masonic Temple in Sioux City, Iowa, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
RCW @ Elks City Lodge in Portsmouth, Ohio, USA
ROH @ Amherst Pepsi Center in Williamsville, New York, USA
TMPW @ ECPW Arena in Lake Hiawatha, New Jersey, USA
UCW @ Harvest Church in Athens, Georgia, USA
UCW @ Knights Of Columbus in Rapid City, South Dakota, USA
UPCW @ Muskogee Civic Center in Muskogee, Oklahoma, USA
WWA @ Knights Of Columbus Hall in La Salle, Illinois, USA
XJAM @ Holiday Inn Riverside Hotel in Minot, North Dakota, USA
August 28th, 2005:
WWE @ TD Waterhouse Centre in Orlando, Florida, USA
WWE @ Florence Civic Center in Florence, South Carolina
BDW @ Martins Ferry Rec. Center in Martins Ferry, Ohio, USA
CWA @ Deland High School (Old Gym) in Deland, Florida, USA
FPW @ Buffalo Rose in Golden, Colorado, USA
MWO @ Lions Hall in Elba, Michigan, USA
SPW @ St. Peter's Events Hall in Sacramento, California, USA
UPCW @ Bells Amusement Park in Tulsa, Oklahoma, USA
August 29th, 2005:
WWE @ St. Pete Times Forum in Tampa, Florida, USA
WWE @ North Charleston Coliseum in North Charleston, South Carolina,
August 30th, 2005:
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center in Hagerstown, MD
HWA @ HWA Arena in Evendale, Ohio, USA
August 31st, 2005:
NWS @ Beach Grandstand in Wildwood, New Jersey, USA
September 1st, 2005:
AJPW @ Sapporo Media Park Spica in Hokkaido, Japan
PW NOAH @ Osaka Physical Education Hall #2 in Osaka, Japan
ASW @ Butlins Resort in Minehead, England
September 2nd, 2005:
WWE @ FedEx Forum in Memphis, Tennessee, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
SRPW @ Sapulpa Boys & Girls Club in Sapulpa, Oklahoma
September 3rd, 2005:
CCW @ Mulberry Rec. Center in Lenoir, North Carolina, USA
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center in Hagerstown, Md,
IWI @ Intense Arena in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA
KCW @ Frankstown Armory in Altoona, Pennsylvania
PWX @ Sportatorium in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, USA
RWC @ Westover Rec. Center in Fayetteville, North Carolina, USA
SGWA @ Jeff Davis County Fairgrounds in Hazlehurst, Georgia
SWF @ Bluefield Auditorium in Bluefield, West Virginia, USA

INDY SHOW LISTINGS

August 5th, 2005:
ACWA @ Middlesex County Fairgrounds in East Brunswick, New Jersey
ASWF @ Jaycees Building in Selmer, Tennessee, USA
BPW @ Wolfie's Showcase in Middletown, Ohio, USA
FIP @ National Guard Armory in Crystal River, Florida, USA
FWE @ Sesame Grotto Building in Lakeland, Florida, USA
HPB @ Maximum Capacity Sports Bar in Chicopee, Massachusetts, USA
HVW @ Viper's House Of Pain in Hendersonville, North Carolina, USA
MWF @ St. Theresa's Parish Bingo Center in Blackstone, Massachusetts,
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
PSPW @ El Centenario Night Club in Nashville, Tennessee, USA
SRPW @ Sapulpa Boys & Girls Club in Sapulpa, Oklahoma, USA
SWA @ Scott High School in Huntsville, Tennessee, USA
TWR @ Tennessee City Community Center in Dickson, Tennessee, USA
WPW @ Riverside Beneficial Association in Reading, Pennsylvania, USA

August 6th, 2005:
ACWA @ Middlesex County Fairgrounds in East Brunswick, New Jersey,
APW @ Eric Nolan's Intl Martial Arts & Fitness Gym Bakersfield, CA
CPW @ Anchor Lounge in Millbury, Massachusetts, USA
CW @ Knights Of Columbus Hall in Methuen, Massachusetts, USA
CWF-MA @ Carolina Sports Arena in Burlington, North Carolina, USA
CWP @ PPCLA Expo Building in Mineral Wells, Texas, USA
FIP @ Sumter County Fairgrounds in Bushnell, Florida, USA
FNW @ Belmont Arena in Kittanning, Pennsylvania, USA
GCW @ GCW Sports Arena in Columbus, Georgia, USA
HIW @ Nessler Center in Texas City, Texas, USA
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center in Hagerstown, MD
HPB @ The Savy Fish in Naugatuck, Connecticut, USA
HPW @ 4-H Fairgrounds in Columbus, Indiana, USA
IWI @ Intense Arena in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA
IWR @ Detroit Contemporary in Detroit, Michigan, USA
KCW @ Frankstown Armory in Altoona, Pennsylvania, USA
KYDA @ Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue Hall in Blue Ridge Summit, PA
MCW @ Dover Air Force Base in Dover, Delaware, USA
MDW @ Clarksburg City Park in Nutter Fort, West Virginia, USA
MPW @ Jersey County Fairgrounds in Jerseyville, Illinois, USA
NEW @ Spears Gym in Mount Healthy, Ohio, USA
NFW @ Radisson Community Center in Radisson, Wisconsin, USA
NWA Tri-State @ City Park Pavilion in Parkersburg, West Virginia, USA
NWF @ Community & Kids Center in Blanchester, Ohio, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
PWG @ Hollywood-Los Feliz Jewish Community Center Los Angeles, Ca
PWX @ Sportatorium in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, USA
RWC @ Westover Rec. Center in Fayetteville, North Carolina, USA
SGWA @ Jeff Davis County Fairgrounds in Hazlehurst, Georgia, USA
TASW @ Humble Bingo Arena in Humble, Texas, USA
TNW @ John Jennings School #109 in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA
UCW @ VFW Hall in Carollton, Georgia, USA
WCEW @ Hamlet Armory in Hamlet, North Carolina, USA
WCWA @ WCWA Arena in Pleasant Hill, California, USA
World-1 @ The Arena At AMF Boulevard Lanes in Philadelphia, PA
WTCW @ National Guard Armory in Milan, Tennessee, USA
WWWA @ Quakertown Farmers Market in Quakertown, Pennsylvania
WXW @ American Legion Post #91 in Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania, USA

August 7th, 2005:
ACWA @ Middlesex County Fairgrounds in East Brunswick, New Jersey,
CAPW @ Turner's Hall in Cleveland, Ohio, USA
CWF @ Riehle Brothers Sports Complex in Lafayette, Indiana, USA
XWF @ Bridgeport Eagles in Bridgeport, Ohio, USA

August 8th, 2005:
IWF-TN @ Putnam County Fairgrounds (Main Arena) in Cookeville, TN

August 9th, 2005:
AAW @ Belle-Clair Fairgrounds in Belleville, Illinois, USA
ACW @ Bourbon Street Night Club in New Port Richey, Florida,
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center in Hagerstown, MD.

August 10th, 2005:
AAW @ Tri-City Speedway in Pontoon Beach, Illinois, USA
NWS @ Beach Grandstand in Wildwood, New Jersey, USA

August 11th, 2005:
HPB @ Bar Chicago in Chicago, Illinois, USA
WXW @ Santa Rosa County Auditorium in Milton, Florida, USA

August 12th, 2005:
ECPW @ Elks Lodge in Paramus, New Jersey, USA
FW @ Brevard Community College in Melbourne, Florida, USA
MPW @ Pontiac Silverdome in Pontiac, Michigan, USA
NNW @ Sanford Salvation Army in Sanford, Florida, USA
NWA Virginia @ Piankitank Ruritan Club in Mathews, VA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
ROH @ Montgomery County Fairgrounds in Dayton, Ohio, USA
WOW @ VFW Hall in Houston, Texas, USA

August 13th, 2005:
CCW @ CCW Arena in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, USA
CCW @ Knightdale Rec. Center in Knightdale, North Carolina,
Chikara New Alhambra Sports & Entertainment Center Philadelphia, PA
CWF @ New Life Worship Center in Tyler, Texas, USA
CZW @ New Alhambra Sports & Entertainment Center in Philadelphia, PA
EIPW @ Laurel Community Center in Laurel, Indiana, USA
FW @ Jim Beech Recreation Center in Ocoee, Florida, USA
GAW @ Wal-Mart in Forsyth, Illinois, USA
GCW @ GCW Sports Arena in Columbus, Georgia, USA
HoPWF @ Newville Area Community Center in Newville, Pennsylvania,
IWR @ J-Dubs Sports Bar in Riverview, Michigan, USA
MAXW @ National Guard Armory in Williamston, South Carolina, USA
MMWA-SICW @ South Broadway Athletic Club in St. Louis, Missouri
MWF @ Vietnam Veterans' Center in Lincolnton, North Carolina, USA
NWA Blue Ridge @ Kingsport Civic Auditorium in Kingsport, Tennessee,
NWF @ Richwood Flea Market in Richwood, Kentucky, USA
NWF @ UAW Hall in Fairfield, Ohio, USA
PCW @ Masonic Temple in Sioux City, Iowa, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
PW @ Volcanoes Stadium in Keizer, Oregon, USA
PWE @ Canton National Guard Armory in Canton, Georgia,
ROH @ Frontier Fieldhouse in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, USA
SAW @ Highgate Sports Arena in Highgate, Vermont, USA
SCW @ VFW Hall in DeBary, Florida, USA
SCW @ Tennessee State Fairgrounds (Sports Arena) in Nashville, TN
TCW @ Shouns School in Mountain City, Tennessee, USA
WCPW @ Slag Valley Studios in Chicago, Illinois, USA
WWWA @ Zern's Farmer's Market in Gilbertsville, Pennsylvania, USA
XMCW @ Nitro Community Center in Nitro, West Virginia, USA

August 14th, 2005
ICW @ Pierce County Fairgrounds in Graham, Washington, USA
MPW @ Pontiac Silverdome in Pontiac, Michigan,
TNA @ Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida, USA
WXW @ Carver School in Century, Florida, USA

August 16th, 2005:
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center in Hagerstown, MD.

August 17th, 2005:
NWS @ Beach Grandstand in Wildwood, NJ

August 18th, 2005:
HPB @ Honey's Pool Parlor in Gretna, Louisiana, USA
IWF @ Tab Ramos Sports Center in Aberdeen, New Jersey, USA

August 19th, 2005:
CW @ Polish American Veterans Club in Lowell, Massachusetts, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
TWR @ Tennessee City Community Center in Dickson, Tennessee, USA
UCW @ National Guard Armory in Jacksboro, Tennessee, USA
WCICW @ Riveredge Restaurant Complex in Reading, Pennsylvania

August 20th, 2005:
AAW @ Berwyn Eagles Club in Berwyn, Illinois, USA
APW @ APW Garage in Hayward, California, USA
CPW @ DJ's Out Back Tavern in Keyser, West Virginia, USA
ECPW @ Pocono Market Fair & Expo Center in Hazleton, Pennsylvania,
HoPWF @ Superior Pro Wrestling Training Center Hagerstown,
IWI @ Intense Arena in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA
KSWA @ Lawrenceville Moose Hall in Pittsburgh, Pa, USA
NEW @ Spears Gym in Mount Healthy, Ohio, USA
NWF @ Clinton County Fairgrounds in Wilmington, Ohio, USA
PCW @ PCW Arena in Arlington, Texas, USA
PWE @ Blain Fire Company in Blain, Pennsylvania, USA
PWX @ Sportatorium in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, USA
ROH @ William G. Mennen Sports Arena in Morristown, New Jersey, USA
UCW @ Roadside Inn in Pinconning, Michigan, USA
UCW @ VFW Hall in Carollton, Georgia, USA
TWE @ Splashtown in San Antonio, Texas, USA
WCWA @ WCWA Arena in Pleasant Hill, California, USA

August 21st, 2005:
AIW @ Peabody's Down Under in Cleveland, Ohio, USA
CSWF @ Wayne PAL Building in Wayne, New Jersey
TZW @ Canton Emagine Movie Theater in Canton, Michigan, USA

THREE WRESTLERS PASS AWAY THIS MONTH

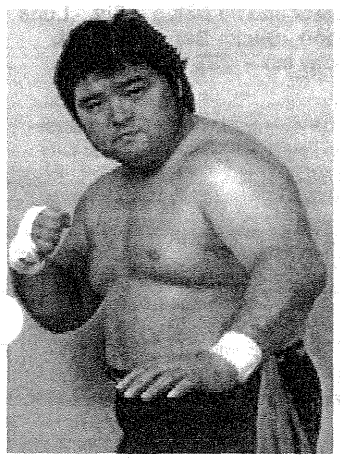
Photo by Mike Lano

Miguel Perez Sr., one-half of the tag team attraction at Madison Square Garden in the late 50s was found dead on July 16th in Puerto Rico. Perez and Antonino Rocca were a top Tag Team for Vince McMahon Sr. They were his World tag team champions, taking the belts from Wildman Jackie Fargo and Don Stevens (later Don Fargo) on March 30, 1957 at the Garden. Rocca and Perez were a very popular tag team in the 60's. The pair first hit the mat together in early 1957. The high-flying Rocca was slowing down, and promoters saw an opportunity to pair him with a good-looking, young Latino wrestler. Perez was born in Puerto Rico in 1937. Perez, whose first name was Jose, actually started in the New York area as a heel. Wrestling historian Fred Hornby recalled that he was elevated to main event status because he appeared to be the best of the available ethnic wrestlers at the time. Everybody pictures him with the white trunks and the white books – when he broke in, he was a heel. It wasn't for long. It was only for a few weeks. He was in black trunks and black boots," Hornby recalled. Perez and Rocca "hitched up and the rest is history." His primary duty as part of the team was to take a beating before tagging Rocca for a fiery comeback. "Perez, not a polished wrestler or showman, is usually pummeled by the villains to the point where his pompadour is dismantled. Then Rocca, seeking revenge for the abuse to Perez' hair tonic, springs into action," writer Gay Talese reported in *New York Times*.

As a combo, Rocca and Perez were box office magic to the Latino community. They headlined 28 of 34 cards at Madison Square Garden from 1957 to 1960, and were undefeated all the time. They faced The Fargo Brothers, The Fabulous Kangaroos, and The Tolos Brothers and the Golden Grahams, among other teams, and easily drew larger crowds on a regular basis than any team in the history of the federation.

Their only reported loss came after they re-teamed in Puerto Rico as WWC North American champions in 1976. They lost to Gordon Nelson and Higo Hamaguchi that October. Rocca died the following year.

Perez continued as an undercard worker in the then-WWWF through most of the 1960s. He teamed with Victor Rivera for several months in 1968, his last in the WWWF. He also appeared in the Buffalo area at that time. He spent most of the rest of his career in Puerto Rico and held the WWC Puerto Rican championship four times from 1974 to 1977 against Tosh Togo, Hurrican Castillo and others. His son, Miguel Perez Jr., wrestled for the WWF as one of Los Boricuas in the 1990s and is active in the IWA promotion in Puerto Rico.



Shinya Hashimoto dies suddenly

Japanese star Shinya Hashimoto passed away this morning with initial media reports out of Japan being that the death was caused by a brain aneurysm. Hashimoto collapsed and was rushed via ambulance to a hospital in Yokohama, but was unable to be revived. Hashimoto, who just turned 40, was a former IWGP and All Japan Triple Crown champion as well as one third of New Japan's "Three Musketeers" with Keiji Mutoh and Masahiro Chono. Hashimoto came over to the U S a few years back to work a program with Steve Corino over the NWA championship as well. Hashimoto was also the founder of the ZERO-ONE promotion, which he left on bad terms last year with partner Yoshiyuki Nakamura continuing on under the name ZERO-ONE MAX. In recent months, Hashimoto had been recovering from major shoulder surgery, which he had been delaying forever. Never a svelte figure, he's been called the "Japanese Elvis" – going as far as dressing up like The King. Over the past couple of years, Hashimoto made cameo appearances in two Japanese films, Muscle Heat and Shin Karate Baka Ichidai.

Lord Alfred George James Hayes passed away on July 21st in Texas. He fell out of bed over the weekend, which led to a series of strokes leaving him basically catatonic and moaning in pain.

Birthday: August 8, 1928 (76)
Debut: 1950
Previous Gimmicks: "Judo" Al Hayes
Notable Feuds: Johnny Weaver
NWA Western States Tag Team title (2);
NWA Texas Tag Team titles;
NWA (Central States) Tag Team titles;

Alfred Hayes managed a tag team known as The Imperial Russians (Nikolai Volkoff and Chris Markov)..
1982: Lord Alfred Hayes joined the World Wrestling Federation..
1983: Alfred Hayes retired after suffering some severe inflammation in his joints that laid him up for several months.. Alfred Hayes was later diagnosed with a condition called rheumatoid arthritis..
Alfred Hayes is best remembered for his co-hosting duties on WWF Tuesday Night Titans along with Vince McMahon..
Alfred also did announcing with Bob Caudle in Mid-Atlantic Wrestling..
Alfred Hayes eventually resigned with the WWF as a broadcast announcer and backstage interviewer..
1984: Alfred Hayes was phased out as a backstage interviewer and replaced by the famous Mean Gene Okerland..
Alfred Hayes was the commentator for recorded House Shows (MSG, Boston Garden, Maple Leaf etc) throughout the 1980s..
Alfred Hayes provided play by play announcing for the Hulk Hogan/King Kong Bundy main event at WrestleMania II..
Lord Alfred Hayes also became the voice for WWF Coliseum Home Video.
Alfred Hayes also got a knee replacement, which gave him some relief from the arthritis for several years..
1990: Alfred Hayes was hit by a speeding car as he was walking across the street in Stamford CT.. Alfred Hayes was thrown up in the air, landing on his back and his hip.. He got blood poisoning from all the gravel and dirt that got into his hip, and he needed numerous skin grafts..
Alfred Hayes hosted the Update segments on WWF Superstars of Wrestling programming..
He began concentrating on Coliseum Home Video Dept, and adopted a heel attitude while calling matches..
1993: Lord Alfred Hayes was phased out of WWF programming as the company began taking a 'new direction'..
A few years later they discovered a lump on his spine that the doctors initially thought was cancer..
Luckily, it turned out to be bone calcifications from his accident..
Alfred had to have several vertebrae taken out to remove the lump, and as a result he is several inches shorter than he used to be..
1995: Alfred Hayes departed the WWF after his long run with the co..
1996: Alfred Hayes briefly commentated for Tito Santana's short-lived American Wrestling Federation promotion.. We would like to send out condolences to Alfred's family, Friends and Fans. He was very beloved and will be missed terribly. Rose Berg sends her love too.....

HAYES, ALFRED GEORGE JAMES

Also known as "Lord Alfred Hayes", passed away Thursday July 21st. Lord Alfred was born in London England August 8th 1928. He immigrated to the United States in 1972. In a career that spanned more than four decades, he was known as a professional wrestling champion and broadcaster. His wrestling exploits led him to popularity in all parts of the globe. He was inducted into the professional wrestling hall of fame in 2001. He is survived by a son, Kersten Alexander Hayes, and a daughter, Kandace Nadine Hayes, both of Plano. Lord Alfred also has three grandchildren. A memorial service to herald his remarkable life will be held at 11a.m. Tuesday July 26th at Christ United Methodist Church, 3101 Coit Road, Plano, TX 75075.

JOHN P BROOKS AND FAMILY

NORTH

UPCOMING AUTOGRAPH SESSIONS

August 5th to 7th - WWE Superstar MICK FOLEY will be at the Wizard Universe Comic Book Convention @ the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center - 5555 N. River Rd., Rosemont, IL Call 845-268-2000.

August 5th - **GREG VALENTINE** will be signing autographs @ CC Showcase - Buckeye Wrestling 2830 Cincinnati-Dayton Rd in Middletown, OH. from 7 to 10 PM. Phone # is 704-596-4643.

August 6th - **WILLIAM REGAL** will be promoting his new autobiography "Walking a Golden Mile" from 3 - 5 p.m. Borders Books and Music - 202 Morrell Rd. Suite 100., Knoxville, TN, Phone # is 865-769-4084.

August 6th - The EWF Presents **"The Birdman" KOKO B. WARE** from 5PM - 6PM for autographs & Poloroids at the EWF Arena 3400 South Adams St.Marion, IN. KoKo will also be wrestling at the EWF Live event immediately following the autograph session.

August 6th - **RIC FLAIR and Oklahoma's own JIM ROSS** will be signing autographs and taking pictures at the Ford Center Box Office, Oklahoma City, OK. from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

August 6th and 7th - **GREG "The Hammer" VALENTINE** will be signing autographs and posing for Polaroid's @ Circle City Flea Market - 3825 S. East Street, Indianapolis, IN from 12 Noon to 4 PM. Call 317-536-1643.

August 8th - **WILLIAM REGAL** will be promoting his new autobiography "Walking a Golden Mile" from 3 - 5 p.m. The appearance will take place at WalMart located at 100 Nitro Marketplace, Nitro, WV. 304-769-0100

August 9th - **WILLIAM REGAL** will be promoting his new autobiography "Walking a Golden Mile" from 12 - 2 p.m. The appearance will take place at Borders Books and Music 4545 Kenny Road, Columbus, OH. Phone # is 614-451-2292

August 12th - **GEORGE The Animal STEELE** will be signing autographs at the Fort Worth Cats, LaGrave Field, 301 NE 6th St. in Ft. Worth, TX. Evening Game Call 817-226-2287.

August 19th - **WWE Superstar RANDY ORTON** will be signing autographs @ Lee's Optical Emporium - 5372 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA from 6 to 8 PM. Call 415-452-8320..

August 18th – August 21st **WWE Superstar ROB VAN DAM** will be appearing @ GEN CON - Indy Center, 100 S. Capital Ave, Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis, IN. RVD hours for signing are as follows: Thursday : 10am-1pm 2pm-6pm Friday: 10am-1pm 2pm-6pm Saturday : 10am-1pm 2pm-6pm Thursday-Saturday 10am-6pm Sunday : 10am-4pm Phone # 206-957-3976 or 800-529-3976

August 20th - **WWE Superstar MATT HARDY** will be signing autographs from 1 to 3 PM @ NY Sports Works - 790 Sunrise Mall, Massapequa, NY Store # is 516-541-4475.

August 19th to 21st - We are very happy to announce that **BRET Hitman HART** will be a very special guest -- and indeed, making a rare appearance -- at the NWA Wrestling Legends Fanfest this August in Charlotte, North Carolina. http://www.nwalegends.com/brethart.htm Advance tickets will go on sale next Friday, April 1st. The NWA Wrestling Legends Fanfest takes place Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 19-21 at the University Place Hilton in Charlotte. Please make plans now to be with us for 3 HUGE DAYS celebrating NWA tradition! NWA Wrestling Legends Fanfest Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 19-21, 2005
Hilton University Place Hotel; Charlotte, NC
Terry Funk, Dory Funk, Jr, Jack Brisco, Jim Cornette, Bobby Heenan, Harley Race, Dennis Condrey, Stan Hansen, Bobby Eaton, Ricky Morton, Robert Gibson, Baron Von Raschke, Paul Jones, Ole Anderson, Tully Blanchard, J.J. Dillon, Ken Patera, Tony Atlas, Mr. Wrestling II, Ox Baker, Tracy Smothers, Greg Valentine, Brad Armstrong, Jimmy Snuka, the Masked Superstar (Bill Eadie), Bob Caudle, Mr. Wrestling II, Ox Baker, Sir Oliver Humperdink, Denny Brown, George South, Penny Banner and The Mulkeys
http://www.nwalegends.com/ A special Sunday signing and Q&A with former WWE and WCW World Champion Bret "The Hitman" Hart.

August 25th - **WWE Superstar MICK FOLEY** will be signing his new book "Scooter" at RJ Julia Bookstore, 168 Boston Post Rd, Madison, CT at 7 pm. The phone number there is 203-245-3959 or 1-800-74-READS. They recommend calling for a reservation.

August 27th & 28th - **CHRIS JERICHO** will be emceeing at the Beyond The Mountain Christian Rock Festival - 1001 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino, CA. Phone # is 909-384-5233 All Day, Both Days

August 26th, 27th and 28th - **WRESTLE REUNION II** will include a LIVE wrestling show, Autograph Signings and various Q & A Sessions. For complete information visit http://www.Wrestlereunion.com.
Everything is being held at Valley Forge Convention Center in King of Prussia, PA. The first wrestlers to be announced for WrestleReunion II are: **Bruno Sammartino, Mick Foley, Larry Zbyszko, Matt Hardy, Jimmy Hart, Nick Bockwinkel, Stan Hansen, Tito Santana, The Midnight Express, Jim Cornette, The Dudley's. Rhino, Don Muraco, Joe Muraco, Greg Valentine, Joey Styles, Dory & Terry Funk, Backseat Boyz, Ivan Koloff, D-Lo Brown, Steve Corino, Test, Amy Love, Dominick DeNucci, Steve Williams, Samoans, Tom Prichard, D.C. Drake, Masked Superstar, Gary Royal, Bob Armstrong, Brad Armstrong, Harley Race, Samu, Wendi Richter, The Fantastics, King Kahlua, The Patriot (Tom Brandi) and Diamond Dallas Page**.

Aug.26-28th - **JASMIN ST. CLAIRE** will be appearing @ Monster Mania 4 - Cherry Hill, NJ on Friday from 3 PM to Closing and on Saturday from 12 Noon to 5 PM and on Sunday from 2 PM to 5 PM.

August 30th - **MICK FOLEY** will be signing copies of his new novel "Scooter" at Lincoln Center Barnes & Noble 1972 Broadway in NYC at 7 PM. Call 212-595-6859.

August 31st - **JBL** will participate in an Autograph Session at The Sport Authority in Jacksonville, FL. (time TBD).

September 7th - **MICK FOLEY** will be signing his books "Scooter" @ 6:30 PM @ Chapter 11 Books - 2900 Delk Road, Marietta, GA.

September 20th - **MICK FOLEY** will be signing his book "Scooter" at the Barnes & Noble -1201 Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica, California @ 7:30 PM. Call 310-260-9110.

September 24th - K & S presents **WRESTLE FEST '05** at the Huntington Hilton - 598 Broad Hollow Road, Melville, NY. Huntington Hilton number is 631-845-1000. Scheduled so far are: **MISSY HYATT, JERRY "The King" LAWLER, TERRY FUNK, DUSTIN RHODES, MAGNAM TA, MIDNIGHT EXPRESS and LARRY ZBYSZKO,** Super Tickets $150- 9 to 5

October 1st - Legends of the Ring 3 @ Holiday Inn at Raritan Center - Edison, NJ Exit 10 NJ Turnpike **Paul Bearer and JJ Dillon - Sid - Luna Nikolai Volkoff - Boris Zhukov - Typhoon - Slick - Barry Horowitz, Danny Davis and Kevin Sullivan** Holiday Inn - 732-661-1000.

October 22nd - **SGT. SLAUGHTER** will be at Military Night for the Bossier Shreveport Mud Bugs - 2000 Century Tel Center Drive, Bossier City, LA Call 318-752-2847. Evening Game...

October 28th - 30th - The Chiller Theatre Expo @ Sheraton Meadowlands Hotel in East Rutherford, NJ. The guest list is **Nikita Breznikov, Nikolai Volkoff, The Iron Sheik, Tom "Tiny" Lister**.

October 30th - **GEORGE "The Animal" STEELE** will be signing autographs @ the matinee Dayton Bombers Game - 3640 Colonel Glenn Highway, Dayton, OH (ECHL Hockey League) Call 937-775-4747.

NOTES & NEWS

Road Warrior Animal and Heidenreich shocked MNM by capturing the WWE Tag Team Championship at The Great American Bash, reviving the Doomsday Device finisher.

PokerQuest Entertainment is in negotiations with **Stacy Keibler** to host a planned January 2006 Poker Tournament, with a $15 million prize for the winner. This is right up my alley. My husband and I are big Poker players online, we love it. If any of you are poker players, I would like to suggest trying Gaming Club Poker, one of the best sites on the internet. Poker by the Gaming Club Online Poker Room They have free tournaments where you can win real money. The highest amount George won was $2,600. But if you do bet with real money, bet with your head, not over it....

Simon Diamond of TNA talks about the SPIKE TV deal. Simon Says:: July 27, 2005 .....Last week I asked ALL wrestling fans to pray for a TV deal for TNA. Well, guess what? GOD IS A WRESTLING FAN!!! What a great day it was. The wrestling business has changed now that there is another promotion with national television. I can't wait to get started and watch the ratings climb and climb. I know we have something different to offer then the other guys; athletic, innovative wrestling with a fresh roster and a real creative team. Now, lets all support it!!! Let's send a message that we are not happy and we want an alternative. Competition brings out the best in everyone and the real winners will be you, the fans. This is the start of something big so get ready. Thanks for your prayers, God does listen. Remember.. GOD IS A WRESTLING FAN (what a great T-shirt) I'm Simon Diamond and that's Simon Says. Any problems?

Sabu has been added back on TNA roster... Seems to be back in great shape, not missing a step, since illness...

This was posted on WWE website: Reliable sources have informed WWE.com that **Muhammad Hassan** will be out indefinitely as a result of the Last Ride delivered to him by the Undertaker at The Great American Bash. At this point, it is doubtful that he will return to action. This was done due to the fact that WOR—UPN didn't want Hassan character on TV with all the terror bombings, etc.

Currently here are the names of employees that were already released or contracts expired.
Joy Giovanni, Bubba & Dvon Dudley, Matt Morgan, Charlie Haas, Jackie Gayda, Marty Jannetty, Dawn Marie, Mark Jindrak, Matt Wiese (Luther Reigns), Maven, Shannon Moore, James Yun (Akio), David Heath (Gangrel), Billy Kidman, Spike Dudley, Kevin Fertig, Marc Lloyd, Jim Cornette, Earl Hebner, Dave Hebner, and Ivory (Lisa Moretti)
I have been told approximately 15 from the Titan Office (Creative and Licensing) were also released and Lynn & Dennis Brent are gone. With the Brent's, I believe it has a lot to do with them moving back to Texas. Dennis was in charge of the third party bookings. That is 40+ employees being released, the most since I have been following wrestling.

There is a Summer Slam commercial airing in several cable markets advertising the top matches for the PPV, which include:
Shawn Michaels vs. Hulk Hogan
John Cena vs. Edge (Since Matt Hardy came back, this was changed to Jericho vs Cena)
Batista vs. Muhammad Hassan (This should be changed)
Triple H vs. Ric Flair The Undertaker Vs Randy Orton

Mick Foley has his book "Scooter" out, so I'm sure we will be seeing more of him on WWE TV, to promote his book.

Stacy Keibler has an interview in Steppin' Out Magazine Stacy does mention that Vince asked her to pose in *Playboy* twice, which she refused. Sexy Stacy dons the cover. http://www.steppinoutmagazine.com/

UFC Bumps WWE WWE Velocity on August 6th will air at 7 PM (ET) due to Spike TV's coverage of the live UFC Ultimate Fight Night event.

Bruno Sammartino is very excited about his brand new website: www.BrunoBrunoBruno.com They are currently working on five DVD's, and three of them are now on sale on his new site.

A Tour of Italy $19.95
Inside Bruno's Workout $19.95
Bruno Sammartino: Strongman $19.95
Also Bruno's autobiography, exclusive photo and more....

Bruno will be on WOR/UPN after Smackdown on 7/28th. WOR followed Bruno to the Statue of Liberty on the Cruise around Manhattan Island, in front of MSG and more,.....

D.C. based Indy group WAW posted this on their website... World Alliance of Wrestling, Inc. is proud to announce the NEW Co-Owner of the WAW **Jasmin St. Claire**!
WAW just recently cancelled the rest of their shows for 2005 after postponing and eventually cancelling shows in April and May.

VH1's Sunday Night 'Celebreality' Block Attracts 10.2 Million Viewers July 12, 3:19 pm ET Basic Cable's #1 Program - **'Hogan Knows Best'** - Bodyslams the Competition and Scores Highest Rated Premiere Ever for VH1 All Three Premieres Broke Top Ten Cable Networks Most Watched Programs of the Day Among the Key P18-49 Demographic.
The second show dropped 35% in viewership.

I feel that Hulk's show has a lot to do with helping Brooke in her singing career. If the ratings drop each week, that's not a good sign.

Brooke is a beautiful girl, but I think Daddy Hogan is a bit too hard on her. He is treating her like she is a baby. Hulk, give her a break, she's Daddy's little girl, I'm sure she is a lady at all times. I didn't care for the show that much. But Hulk's home is gorgeous... See ya soon.....

NOTES & NEWS (CONTINUED) .....

NY Governor George Pataki signed into law on July 19th bill A07496 (details online: http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?bn=A07496), which greatly reduces some of the outdated restrictions on professional wrestling today.

The new bill removes the outdated licensing requirements for referees, judges, match-maker, timekeeper, treasurer, box office employee, manager, trainer, second or announcer (The NY State Athletic Commission stopped issuing wrestler's licenses around 2002).

However, the bill was also a small step backward, as the same bill closed an existing loophole. While the original law did state that a promoter's license was required, the law now includes that promoting without a license can result in a misdemeanor charge. We will still work to have this requirement removed as well, but we understand the need to close legal loopholes.

Professional Wrestling laws in New York have been barely updated since 1920. This is the biggest step in a campaign to reform professional wrestling laws, and point out the flaws in the inconsistent actions by the New York State Athletic Commission.

A website has been maintained detailing the various bills and letters written about this issue. It's available at http://www.worldofhurtwrestling.com/makewrestlingfree

Pro wrestlers pin down Spike TV

By Chris Lewis, clewis@nashvillecitypaper.com
July 22, 2005

Nashville-based TNA Entertainment took a big leap into the pro-wrestling ring with this week's announcement that the company's weekly series, *iMPACT!*, will be aired by Spike TV this fall.

TNA signed a deal with the national cable TV network to carry the one-hour show on its popular "Slammin' Saturday Night" programming block, in a slot now occupied by World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE).

Being seen on a national network with 89 million viewers is the "biggest deal" so far for TNA, said Chris Blechschmidt, TNA's director of affiliate relations and marketing.

"We're really the new kid on the block. We're jumping in, we're getting national exposure now," he said. "And it's going to explode once we get this rolling."

TNA Entertainment, founded three years ago by Nashville-area wrestler Jeff Jarrett and his father, Jerry, produces pay-per-view wrestling events each month that are carried on iN DEMAND, DIRECTV and Dish Network, among other TV networks. *iMPACT!*, which is taped at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fla., focuses on high-risk, live-action athletic entertainment by its stars, including Jarrett, Raven, Jeff Hardy and AJ Styles.
The year-old show has been run on Fox Sports Net Fridays at 3 p.m. After the contract ran out, TNA seized the opportunity to move over to Spike TV, since the WWE is moving its show to the USA Network.

"It's the push we really need to really take it to the next level," Blechschmidt said. "Our goal is to basically drive ratings for Spike, drive ratings for *iMPACT!* and then generate pay-per-view buys."
Spike TV gives TNA a better edge because Fox Sports Net aired *iMPACT!* over its network of regional channels, which meant the show didn't always air at the same time in all markets, said Tom Umstead, programming editor for the cable TV trade magazine *Multichannel News*.
Spike gives TNA a significant boost in competing more effectively against the industry giant, WWE, he said.
"And I think Spike TV's deal will go a long way in giving them the opportunity to get some of the same exposure that WWE does on cable," Umstead said. This is major news for TNA.....

AN ALL-STAR CAST HEADLINES A VERY VEGAS CHRISTMAS STORY IN USA NETWORK'S THREE WISE GUYS Holiday Movie from Vesuvius Productions and Lions Gate Television To Premiere November 20th Bethlehem was never like this. The three wise men of Christmas past will be replaced this holiday season by gun-toting gangsters Vincent, Joey and George chasing a mother-to-be across the desert when USA Network presents THREE WISE GUYS, it was announced by Bonnie Hammer, president, USA Network and SCI FI Channel. The two hour original film will debut on Sunday, November 20, at 9:00 PM ET/PT.

Tom Arnold (Best Damned Sports Show Period, Austin Powers), Judd Nelson (Suddenly Susan, The Breakfast Club), Katey Sagal (8 Simple Rules, Married...With Children) and Nick Turturro (NYPD Blue, The Longest Yard) head an all-star cast of television veterans in this genre-bending takeoff on the traditional Christmas story. The cast also features Eddie McClintock (Crumbs, Friends), Jodi Lyn O'Keefe (She's All That, Nash Bridges), Arye Gross (Minority Report, Ellen) and **WWE Hall of Famer Rowdy Roddy Piper as the Pastor.** We've put together a perfect comic ensemble for this very funny holiday film," said Hammer. "'Three Wise Guys' is a truly fresh antidote to typical Yuletide fare."

An Evening with Johnny Valiant critically acclaimed comedy show- Sat. Aug. 13, 2005 Newville Area Community Center (Newville, PA) 8PM (plus all women's card & TV taping starting 1PM) Info: JRambo NWL@aol.com or call 301-797-0627. www.nwlwrestling.com. An Evening with Johnny Valiant Sun. Aug. 21 9:00PM- The C-Note 157 Ave. C (at 10th Street) NYC Admission $7 www.thecnote.com **Aug. 27** "An Evening with Johnny Valiant" & live card at Summer Bash 3 Elks Lodge, Boonton, NJ Info: Joe Rules jwarules@aol.com www.joerules.com **Sept. 10**- Piledriver Pro Wrestling 8PM Bound Brook Elks Lodge #1388 at 305 East 2nd street Bound Brook, NJ. Pre- show "Meet & Greet" w/Iron Sheik and Johnny Valiant, live indie card featuring Kid USA & The Patriot(with Johnny Valiant) vs. Tiger Khan & The Sheik of Baghdad (with Iron Sheik) & post-card Johnny Valiant show Info: www.piledriverpro.com/732-254-7299. Valiant Brothers merchandise at: www.valiantbrothersreunion.com.

WRESTLING MERCHANDISE- 2005 Wrestling- Then & Now Annual- The Valiant Brothers magazine- autographed by Jimmy Valiant- $12. Extensive shoot interviews $12 each postpaid- Lou Albano Greg Valentine Perry Saturn Missy Hyatt Abdullah the Butcher Tito Santana The Iron Sheik Johnny Valiant AJ Styles Bam Bam Bigelow Killer Kowalski. Also- Rare Coliseum Videos in original packaging $10, Autographed photos only $5 & much more. E-mail Evan Ginzburg at evan_ginzburg@yahoo.com or write for free catalogue at Wrestling- Then & Now PO Box 640471 Oakland Gardens Station Flushing, NY 11364 or log onto www.wrestlingthenandnow.com

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2005

August 8th	Pittsburgh, PA	Mellon Arena	7:45 PM	RAW
August 8th	Wheeling, W VA	Wheeling Civic Center		Smackdown
August 9th	Columbus, OH	Nationwide Arena on sale 7/9 7:30 PM		SMACKDOWN
August 12th	Kitchener, Ont, CANADA	Kitchener Memorial Auditorium		Raw
August 13th	London, Ont, CANADA	John Labatt Centre on sale 7/9		Smackdown
August 14th	Owen Sound, Ont, Canada	Bayshore Community Centre 7:00 PM		Smackdown
August 15th	Montreal, CANADA	Bell Centre		RAW
August 15th	Peterborough, Ont Canada	Memorial Centre	7:00 PM	Smackdown
August 16th	Toronto, CANADA	Air Canada Centre		SMACKDOWN
August 21st	Washington, DC	MCI Center	7:45 PM	SUMMERSLAM
August 22nd	Hampton, VA	Hampton Coliseum on sale 7/23		Raw
August 22nd	Richmond, VA	Richmond Coliseum		Smackdown
August 23rd	Greensboro, NC	Greensboro Coliseum		Smackdown
August 26th	San Juan, Puerto Rico	Coliseo De Puerto Rico Jose Miguel Agrelot on sale 7/9		Raw
August 27th	Fort Lauderdale, FL	National Car Rental Center		Raw
August 27th	Raleigh, NC	RBC Center		Smackdown
August 28th	Orlando, FL	T D Waterhouse Arena		Raw
August 28th	Florence, SC	Florence Civic Center	7:00 PM	Smackdown
August 29th	Tampa, FL	St Pete Times Forum		Raw
August 29th	North Charleston, SC	North Charleston Coliseum		Smackdown
August 30th	Jacksonville, FL	Veteran Memorial Coliseum		Smackdown
September 2nd	**Memphis, TN**	**FedEx Forum**	**7:30 PM**	**Raw on sale 8/6**
September 3rd	**Jackson, TN**	**Oman Arena**	**7:30 PM**	**Smackdown**
September 3rd	**Frederick, MD**	**Harry Grove Stadium**		**Smackdown Makeup Date**
September 4th	**Chattanooga, TN**	**UTC McKenzie Arena**	**7:00 PM**	**RAW**
September 4th	**Macon, GA**	**Macon Centreplex**	**7:00 PM**	**Smackdown**
September 5th	**Nashville, TN**	**Gaylord Entertainment Center**	**6:45 PM**	**Raw**
September 5th	**Albany, GA**	**James Gray Civic Center**		**Smackdown**
September 6th	Atlanta, GA	Arena at Gwinnett Center on sale 8/6	7:45 PM	Smackdown
September 9th	**Jonesboro, AR**			**Raw**
September 10th	**Texaekana, AR**	**Four States Fairgrounds**	**7:00 PM**	**Raw**
September 11th	**Monroe, LA**	**Civic Center**		**Raw**
September 11th	**Springfield, MO**	**Shrine Mosque**		**Smackdown**
September 12th	**Little Rock, AR**	**Alltel Arena**		**Raw**
September 12th	**Wichita , KS**	**Kansas Coliseum**		**Smackdown**
September 13th	Tulsa, OK	Tulsa Convention Center on sale 8/13 7:30 PM		Smackdown
September 17th	**Waco, TX**	**Heart O' Texas Coliseum**		**SmackDown**
September 18th	**Tyler, TX**	**Tyler Oil Palace**		**Smackdown**
September 18th	Oklahoma City, OK	Ford Center	**7:00 PM**	UNFORGIVEN (RAW)
September 19th	**Wichita Falls, TX**	**Kay Yeager Coliseum**		**Raw**
September 19th	**Amarillo, TX**	**Civic Center**		**Smackdown**
September 20th	**Lubbock, TX**	**United Spirit Arena**		**Smackdown**
September 23rd	**Alexandra, LA**	**Rapides Coliseum**		**Raw**
September 24th	**Lake Charles, LA**	**Civic Center**		**Raw**
September 24th	**Dotham, AL**			**Smackdown**
September 25th	**Baton Rouge, LA**	**Riverside Centroplex**		**Raw**
September 25th	**Mobile, AL**	**Civic Center**		**Smackdown**
September 26th	**Biloxi, MS**	**Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Conv. Center**		**Raw**
September 26th	**Lafayette, LA**	**Cajun Dome**		**Smackdown**
September 27th	**New Orleans, LA**	**New Orleans Arena**		**Raw**
September 30th	**El Paso, TX**	**Don Haskins Center @ UTEP**		**Raw**
October 3rd	**Dallas, TX**	**American Airlines Center**	**6:45 PM**	**RAW on sale 9/10 10 AM**
October 9th				NO MERCY (SMACKDOWN)
October 15th	Honolulu, Hawaii	Blaisdell Arena	7:30 PM	Raw
October 27th	**Sydney, AUSTRALIA**	**SuperDome**		**Raw**
October 28th	**Adelaide, AUSTRALIA**	**Adelaide Entertainment Centre**		**Raw**
October 29th	**Melbourne, AUSTRALIA**	**Rod Laver Arena**		**Raw**
November 1st	San Diego, CA	San Diego Sports Arena		TABOO TUESDAY (RAW)
November 6th	**St. Louis, MO**	**Savvis Center ?**		
November 15th	Leipzig, Germany	Leipzig Arena		Raw
November 15th	**Rome, ITALY**			**Smackdown**
November 16th	Hamburg, Germany	Color Line Arena		Raw
Novmeber 16th	**Milan, ITALY**			**Smackdown**
November 17th	**Bolzano, ITALY**			**Smackdown**
November 18th	**Ancona, ITALY**			**Smackdown**
November 19th	**Livorno, ITALY**			**Smackdown**
November 21 & 22	Sheffield, ENGLAND	Hallam FM Arena	5:30 PM	Raw & Smackdown
November 27th	Detroit, MI	Joe Louis Arena		SURVIVOR SERIES (Both)
December 18th				ARMAGEDDON (SD)

2006

January 8th			NEW YEARS REVOLUTION (RAW)
January 29th	Miami, FL	American Airlines Arena	ROYAL RUMBLE (BOTH)
February 19th			NO WAY OUT
April 2nd	Chicago, IL	AllState Arena	WRESTLEMANIA 22 (BOTH)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 1st	Bunkhouse Buck	Jimmy Golden
August 1st	**Kid Italy**	**Pauly Stugotts**
August 1st	D-Von Dudley	Dvon Hughes
August 1st	Shockwave	
August 2nd	Natasha	
August 2nd	Damian Dragon	
August 2nd	Don E. Allen	
August 2nd	Paul Atlas	
August 2nd	Gorgeous George Jr	George Phelps
August 2nd	Takayuki Iizuka	
August 3rd	Karl Gotch	
August 3rd	White Star	
August 4th	Frankie "The Future" Kazarian	
August 4th	Dean Malenko	
August 4th	Kensuke Sasaki	
August 4th	Golden Lion	
August 5th	Boss Hog	Jack Martin
August 5th	Pat Tanaka	
August 5th	Stane Lane	Stansfield Lane
August 5th	Tokimitsu Ishizawa	
August 5th	Mack Johnson	
August 5th	Danny DeManto	
August 5th	Downtown Dave Dynasty	
August 6th	Dino Bravo (Died 3/11/93)	Adolpho Brescino
August 6th	Chris Cannon	
August 6th	Jimmy Valiant	
August 7th	Brian Walsh	
August 7th	Johnny Smith	John Hindley
August 7th	Masa Saitoh	
August 7th	Superstar Shawn Morgan	
August 8th	**Lord Alfred Hayes RIP July 21st**	
August 8th	Akitoshi Saitoh	
August 8th	Chae (Nitro Girl)	Chae An
August 8th	Rena Mero (formerly Sable)	
August 8th	Scott D'Amore	
August 8th	T. J. Steele	Jim Flynn
August 8th	Troy (The Boy) Buchannan	Pasquale Maggiore
August 9th	Little Brutus	
August 9th	Vinny Massaro	
August 10th	Osyris	
August 10th	Valentina	Elizabeth
August 10th	Bret Sawyer (10/14)	
August 10th	Roadkill	
August 10th	Big Bubba	
August 10th	Nicole Bass	
August 10th	Savio Vega (Kwang, TNT)	Juan Rivera
August 10th	Thyphoon (Tugboat)	Fred Wayne Ottman
August 11th	Tux Newman	Jeff Walton
August 11th	Fonzie	Bill Alfonso
August 11th	House of Pain	
August 11th	Hulk Hogan	Terry Gene Bollea
August 11th	Kevin Knight	
August 11th	O-Dogg	
August 11th	Norio Honaga	
August 11th	Scotty Thompson	
August 12th	Kid Vicious	
August 12th	Maddog Joe Stone	
August 12th	Shark Attack Kid	Vinny Magnetti
August 12th	Terry Taylor	Paul Taylor III
August 13th	Jeff Starr	
August 13th	Black Demon	Tony Nero
August 13th	Lord James Blears	
August 13th	Jim Brunzell	
August 13th	Moondog Lonnie Mayne	
August 13th	Spike Dudley	Matthew Hyson
August 14th	DZ Hyde	
August 14th	Bob Backlund	
August 14th	Buddy Landel	William Ansor
August 14th	Gorgeous George Grant	
August 14th	Bobby Eaton	Bobby Lee Eaton
August 14th	Hotstuff Eddie Gilbert	Thomas Edward Gilbert Jr.
August 14th	Warrior Chief Tango	Pedro Matos
August 15th	**Honey/** Noel (Valet for JCW)	Noel Harlow
August 15th	Kazuo Yamazaki	
August 15th	Matthew Master III	
August 15th	Pledge Jones	Giovanni Camilleri
August 15th	The Jackal	Paul Jackiewicz
August 16th	Looney Lane	
August 16th	Dirty Dick Murdock	
August 16th	Falcon Coparis	Lou Capri
August 16th	Tarzan Goto	Masaji Goto
August 17th	Paul Mauret	Paul Mauer
August 18th	**Alex Lunae**	
August 18th	Tom Pritchard	
August 19th	The Bodyguard	Victor Manuel Rodriguez Garcia
August 19th	Tim Horner	
August 19th	Kano	
August 19th	Lilian Garcia (WWE announcer)	
August 20th	Tori	Terri Poch
August 20th	Duke Droese	Michael Droese
August 21st	Nathan Jones	
August 21st	Pyro	
August 21st	Black Hammer	Frank Urankar II
August 22nd	**Diamond Vixxxen**	
August 22nd	Kevin Sullivan	
August 22nd	Paul Ellering	
August 22nd	Stevie Ray	Lane Huffman
August 24th	Tommy Wilson	
August 24th	Deno Blade	
August 24th	Rocky Johnson	Drew Johnson
August 24th	Vince McMahon WWF Promoter	Vincent K McMahon
August 24th	Funaki	
August 25th	Ivan Koloff	Oreal D. Perras
August 25th	Justin Richards	
August 25th	Crash Holly	Erin O'Grady
August 26th	Jess Bradley	Brad Jessup
August 27th	Gary Jackson	
August 27th	George Scott	
August 27th	Sgt. Slaughter	Robert Remus
August 28th	Colorado Kid	
August 28th	Reek Havoc/Rastar The Voodoo Man	
August 29th	Sinn (New Church)	
August 29th	Sabbath	
August 29th	Mean Don Greene	Don Lewis Green
August 30th	Grand Wizard	Ernie Roth
August 30th	King Kaluha	
August 31st	Animal Hamaguchi	
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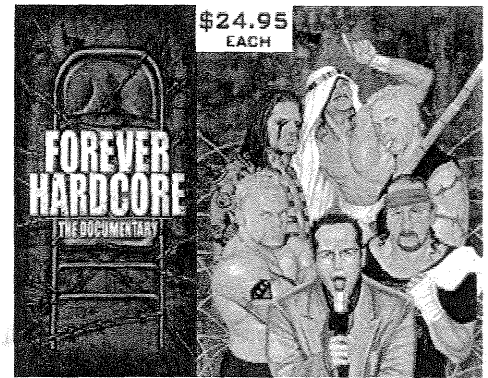

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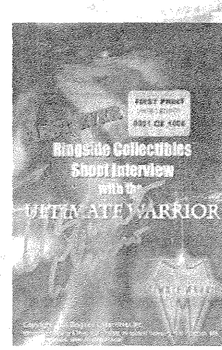

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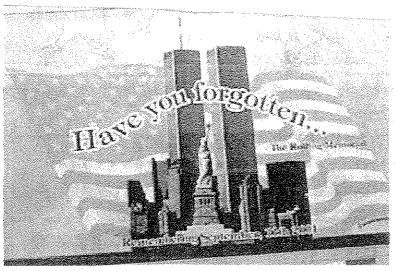

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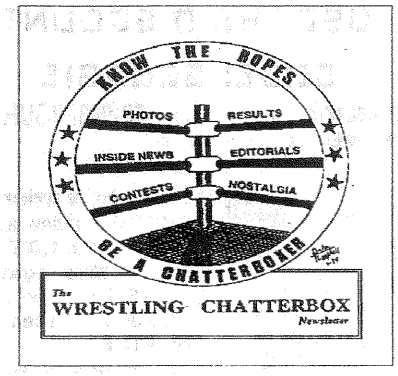

The Three Count BY Jake T. Icon

So I'm having lunch at one of Hollywood's hot spots called Kate Mantilini's and who do I see come in for a bite but none other then the Rock. He was accompanied by his wife, Dany and two others were supposed to join them. When the two others did not arrive Rock looked a bit upset. One of the two others was supposed to be Vince McMahon. Supposedly Rock was to have a power lunch with the Rock in discussing a possible short return to the ring and in return Vince would help promote Rock's new movie Doom coming out. Instead Vince stood him up leaving the now Hollywood thin" Rock sulking over his salad. This is kind of a similar deal Vince has with Hulk Hogan. Do a match with HBK and help promote Hogan Knows best the Reality show. We as wrestling fans should be honored that Vince is making moves like this to add a shock factor to his product. I mean we got to see Roddy Piper make a quick return only to get super kicked by HBK. But that's a cool feeling when we as fans get to be surprised with returns like these, especially one from the Rock.

Speaking of returns and The Rock. Remember over two years ago when I broke the wrestling story of the century when I said that Rock was quitting wrestling and jobbing to Goldberg and I had the picture to prove it. I mean how could we forget. Well now you can read about this discovery in book stores all over the country when Jack Benza's, the reality icon, book comes out next month. The name of the book is called "So you wannabe on Reality TV" and in it he discusses how Reality TV is rigged and how a person can make a living off of Reality TV like he has. He has done over 30 shows as a contestant and has won two cars, trips, and over $65 thousand in cash. Also in the book Jack Benza talks about how he had a conversation with the Rock and little something about Drew Barrymore. This is something you should definitely check out if you like Reality TV.

Mohammed Hassan's character has to go says UPN and within the month. Especially with the Terrorism going around in England it is not funny and I actually feel sorry for the guy playing this character. Hulk Hogan versus HBK should be the most anticipated match at SummerSlam. Here are two guys that were both champions 8 years ago and they were the dream match. At least we as fans can have that pleasure of watching it even though it will be no where near the caliber of what it could of been 8 years ago. I'm calling HBK the winner here even though I'm Hollywood all the way.

John Cena may be a great champ but his promos are tired, kind of like his music. I think they will keep him as champ, because of the merchandise sales of his spinning championship belt. In his promos it looks like he is trying to hard to do other people's jokes. I finally get the JBL character as I started watching Smackdown again. He's funny as a modern day million dollar man. Can Big Show be the one that breaks out of the master-lock? This gimmick is brilliant and should go as long as it can. Matt Hardy makes a return. Do we care? All I know is version 101 to be has the sassier worm virus and needs to be cleaned up a bit. See ya in thirty … Icon out. …..